

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TO CONGRATULATE THE BOY
SCOUTS OF AMERICA ON THEIR
100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Boy Scouts of America on their 100th Anniversary. Many of our nation's most respected citizens are members of this esteemed organization, including government officials, business leaders, entertainers, and astronauts. Today, there are almost three million young men enrolled as members of the Boy Scouts. In my home state of Colorado, there are over 40,000 young men currently involved in scouting programs, and over 600 earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 2009.

I have personally seen the positive impact of the Boy Scouts: my wife and I dedicated many nights and weekends with our four sons to carving Pinewood Derby cars, learning to tie knots in ropes, and planning service projects. Today, all four boys are Eagle Scouts. It is an achievement that speaks to years of dedication and hard work. The Boy Scouts of America has played an invaluable role in helping millions of families, just like mine, raise up young men of character.

The Oath of the Boy Scouts is this: "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight." At a time when this country desperately needs men of character, the Boy Scouts of America is actively training the next generation of leaders to fulfill this pledge.

May God Bless the Boy Scouts of America during the next 100 years.

HONORING PARKER GOLLIGLEE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Parker Golliglee, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 309, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Parker has been very active with his troop participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Parker has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Parker Golliglee for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING ANITA THETFORD

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Anita Thetford who is retiring after twenty-nine years of service as a city employee of Hurst. Since 1990, she has served as the Director of Finance, holding positions as Certified Government Finance Officer and Registered Tax Assessor and Collector. Her leadership in the City of Hurst has impressively improved the standard of living for her community, and I am proud to honor such a distinguished leader.

Ms. Thetford's invaluable leadership has laid the groundwork for a strong fiscally conservative economy in the City of Hurst. In her twenty-nine years of service, Hurst has maintained healthy financial ratings, earned lower bond interest ratings and reduced the property tax.

Ms. Thetford has also been an active member of the community serving as a leader in the Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT), Women's Professional Network group and the Rotary Club of Hurst-Euless-Bedford. Her commendable dedication to the City of Hurst proves that citizens can truly make a difference in lives of others.

Throughout Ms. Thetford's tenure she has accumulated an impressive list of awards. To name just a few, Ms. Thetford was honored with the 1998 Outstanding Service Award from her peers, 1998 Outstanding Finance Officer by GFOAT, 1995 Woman of the Year from Metro Business and Professional Women's Club and 2007 Linda Keithley Award.

On behalf of the 24th District of Texas, I would like to thank Ms. Thetford for her tireless service to Hurst. Ms. Thetford's successes have been many, and it is an honor for me to recognize her for her twenty-nine years of contributions to the people of Hurst. I ask all my colleagues to join me in wishing Anita Thetford continued success in her future.

RECOGNIZING SR. SGT MARK A.
TODD, SR. OF FORT HOOD, TEXAS

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize Sr. SGT Mark A. Todd, Sr. of Fort Hood, Texas for his unbelievable bravery on November 5, 2009 at Fort Hood, Texas. Sr. SGT Todd, selflessly, helped put an end to the horrific massacre that took place, killing 12 soldiers and 1 civilian and wounding more than 40 others. His leadership, skill and bravery are truly heroic. We, as one Nation under God honor him today for his heroism. His actions will not be forgotten, and he will forever be recognized for his leadership and bravery.

It is an honor to recognize Sr. SGT Todd, as he continues to be a true leader at Fort Hood, in Texas District 31, and the United States of America.

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES AND
CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
HAROLD PAUL ALTSHULER

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Harold Paul Altshuler, a Dallas insurance executive who passed away on December 16, 2009, at the age of 88.

Mr. Altshuler was born on November 19, 1921, in Paterson, New Jersey. He graduated from Bard College and entered the United States Air Force where he flew 33 bombing missions over Germany during World War II. For his brave and courageous actions he twice received the Purple Heart, and after Victory in Europe Day, he continued his service by flying damaged aircraft back to England for the Air Transport Command.

After the war, Mr. Altshuler completed a doctor of laws degree from the University of Virginia and founded Republic Bankers Life which later became Life of America Insurance Co. He settled in Dallas in the 1950s and actively developed his insurance and banking business. There he made a name for himself as one of the leading insurance executives in the industry and was active in the community where he served on the board of Allied Bank in Oak Cliff, Texas.

Madam Speaker, I ask my fellow colleagues to join me today in honoring Harold Paul Altshuler who diligently served his country in time of war and was an icon in the Dallas community. He will be truly missed.

TRIBUTE TO RABBI JOEL E.
REMBAUM

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Mr. BERMAN. Madam Speaker, we are honored to pay tribute to our friend, Rabbi Joel E. Rembaum, on the occasion of his 25 years of service to Temple Beth Am and the Pressman Academy.

Rabbi Rembaum's lifelong dedication to the Jewish community started at an early age when he was a camper at Camp Ramah. Soon after he graduated from UCLA with his masters, he left for New York where he earned his ordination as a Rabbi from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Rabbi Rembaum returned to Los Angeles where he earned a Ph.D. in history at UCLA.

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